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[*on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/71/510)*]

71/142. Diplomatic protection

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 62/67 of 6 December 2007, the annex to which contains the text of the articles on diplomatic protection, commending the articles to the attention of Governments,

Recalling also that the International Law Commission decided to recommend to the General Assembly the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the articles on diplomatic protection,[1]

Emphasizing the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (*a*), of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting that the subject of diplomatic protection is of major importance in relations between States,

Taking into account the comments and observations of Governments[2] and the discussions held in the Sixth Committee, at the sixty-second, sixty-fifth, sixty-eighth and seventy-first sessions of the General Assembly, on diplomatic protection,

1. *Commends once again* the articles on diplomatic protection[3] to the attention of Governments, and invites them to submit in writing to the Secretary-General any further comments, including comments concerning the recommendation by the International Law Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of the articles;[1]

2. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fourth session the item entitled "Diplomatic protection" and, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee, in the light of the written comments of Governments, as well as views expressed in the debates held at the sixty-second, sixty-fifth, sixty-eighth and seventy-first sessions of the General Assembly, to continue to examine

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 10* (A/61/10), para. 46.
[2] See A/62/118 and Add.1, A/65/182 and Add.1, A/68/115 and Add.1 and A/71/93 and Corr.1.
[3] Resolution 62/67, annex.

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the question of a convention on diplomatic protection, or any other appropriate action, on the basis of the above-mentioned articles and to also identify any difference of opinion on the articles.

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